

CALIFORNIA'S CROP PRODUCTION REPORT

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Corn - *Corn* for grain production is expected to total 1.22 million tons, 5% above last year. Harvested acreage, at 235,000, is 10% below last year. The yield forecast is 5.18 tons per acre, up 16% from last year.

Cotton - *Upland cotton* production is forecast at 1.50 million bales as of November 1, up 3.5% from the October forecast and 31% above last year. This is based on 585,000 acres for harvest, with an average yield of 1,231 pounds per acre. *American Pima* cotton production is forecast at 600,000 bales, 70% above last year's crop. The 259,000 acres for harvest are up 44% from last year.

Rice - The *rice* crop forecast, at 38.36 million cwt., is 17% above 1998. The 548,000 acres for harvest are 15% above last year. The yield is forecast at 7,000 pounds per acre, up 2% from last year.

Sugar beets - *Sugar beet* production is forecast at 3.41 million tons, up 20% from the 1998 crop. Acreage for harvest, at 110,000, is up 10%. The yield is forecast at 31.0 tons per acre, up 10% from 1998.